

73 OF 100 STUDENTS DRINK

Burns Meets Prime Minister To Request Scholarship Aid

Brief Asks Federal Plan Of \$5,500,000

The federal government was asked Monday to sponsor a \$5,500,000-a-year scholarship program in a brief presented by the National Federation of Canadian University Students to Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent.

The brief, read by NFCUS president Doug Burns of the University of Alberta, proposed 2,500 bursaries to be awarded annually on a four-year basis. It said an annual outlay of \$5,500,000 would provide help for 10,000 students, one-fifth of Canada's university population.

NFCUS representatives told Prime Minister St. Laurent the program would help intelligent young people who felt that higher education was an impossible hope, or who were forced to take part-time jobs to help pay their way, and thus could not give proper attention to their studies.

The NFCUS brief told of a sample survey at the University of Toronto which indicated that about 200 students may have dropped out for financial reasons after the last academic year. Men students by summer work could save only half of the minimum cost of \$1,200 required to attend university for a year.

"Bursary aid now is available to perhaps 15 per cent of students from existing sources, but at most universities is available in amounts of \$100 to \$250 only," the NFCUS brief said.

Examinations Scheduled For Dec. 16-18

Christmas examinations in most faculties will be held from Dec. 16 to Dec. 18, when scheduled lectures and laboratories will be cancelled, G. B. Taylor, registrar, announced.

All lectures and laboratories in all years of engineering will be cancelled Dec. 16, 17 and 18. Lectures and laboratories in all years of arts and science, commerce, house ec., education (except junior "E" program), phys ed., first-year B.Sc. in nursing and first-year pharmacy will be cancelled Dec. 17 and 18 only.

Classes in all other years, schools and faculties will continue as usual, except that students will be released to write consolidated term examinations in courses in which they are registered.

Convocation hall, the draw lab, draw lecture room, engineering building and drill hall will be the likely places where examinations will be written.

More details will be included in notices to be posted by the registrar's office on the campus shortly.



PRIME MINISTER LOUIS ST. LAURENT, centre, is receiving the NFCUS delegation in Ottawa. To the right of Mr. St. Laurent is Doug Burns, former Alberta student now full-time NFCUS president. Others are past president Tony Enriquez, extreme left; Bill Angus, Toronto student union president, second from left; and Peter Martin, Ontario vice-president, extreme right.

COUNCIL caught with COFFEE

At its last meeting, Students Council decided that treating the night students at the university to coffee some evening would be a courteous gesture and give these students something for their fees.

Accordingly, it was arranged

to have night students to the Wauneta lounge Tuesday evening for coffee, along with members of council and Golden Key.

The coffee arrived, council members arrived and Golden Key members were present.

But no night students showed up.

Co-eds Top Men In Numbers But Latter Prone To Binges

Seventy-three per cent of the students on this campus drink alcoholic beverages to varying degrees, a Gateway survey conducted this week indicated.

And, you may believe this or you may not, but the survey, based on a cross-section of 100 students, shows that while only 69 of every 100 male students drink, 81 per cent of the co-eds do.

But some of these co-eds admit they shouldn't; only 64 per cent of the girls approve of co-ed drinking, whereas 78 per cent of the males see nothing wrong with girls drinking if they want to.

Out of every 100 girls, 64 think that drinking contributes to a lower moral standard, 28 per cent say it doesn't, and eight per cent do not know.

Only 22 per cent of the males think drinking contributes to a lowering of moral standards. Of the rest, 71 per cent say it doesn't, and seven per cent do not know.

While the percentage of male drinkers is less, those who do drink generally are heavier drinkers than girls. Sixty-four per cent of the males go on "occasional binges", 19 per cent drink often but sparingly, 15 per cent drink very sparingly, and two per cent drink consistently.

Two per cent of the women who drink are constant drinkers; 42 per cent drink often but sparingly, 33 per cent drink very rarely and four per cent go on occasional binges.

Only nine per cent of the men who drink started after they were 21. The other 91 per cent—many not yet of legal drinking age when interviewed—starting drinking at 20, and most of them in their later teens.

Only 73 per cent of the co-eds who drink started before they were 21.

Of those polled, 27 per cent of the men think fraternities contribute to

excessive drinking, 56 per cent say they don't, and 17 per cent don't know. Of the women, 45 per cent think fraternities contribute to excess drinking, 42 per cent say they don't and 13 per cent don't know.

However, of those who said fraternities contributed to excess drinking, in both male and female surveys only one-fifth blamed this on the fraternities; the other four-fifths said it was the fault of the individuals concerned.

Of those who drink, 77 per cent of the men have been "high" or drunk, compared to only 30 per cent of the women.

Around The Quad

Paul Bourret, ed 2, trying to quit smoking and ending up with a severe case of the shakes. So he's smoking again . . . H. C. Melsness, lecturer in education, releasing a class three minutes early Wednesday afternoon so students could watch the football parade . . . Stevites in general tightening their belts from several days' lean eating prior to the coming Christmas banquet . . . Athabasca waitresses battling their way through a one-Christmas-tree forest to serve students . . . Dr. Maury Van Vliet, just out of a six month hospital stretch, out-lasting all the members of the Golden Bears basketball squad in a workout on the parallel bars.

SPEECH CANCELLED

Walter A. Tucker, MP for Rosethorn and former leader of the Saskatchewan Liberal party, was forced to cancel his speech to the campus Liberal club Monday. The cancellation was due to the sudden death of a political colleague.

FROM FIELD OF 13

Six Debaters Chosen

Teams to represent Alberta in the McGoun debates this year will be John Bracco, law 1; Archie Ryan, law 2; John Chappel, arts 3, and Terry Dunn, law 3, it was announced Tuesday. Final eliminations were held Monday.

Alternates will be John Beckingham, law 3 and Hugh Lawford, law 3. The teams were chosen from a field of 13 contestants.

Two teams members will travel to the University of British Columbia for the Jan. 21 debates, while the other two will remain here to meet a team from the University of Manitoba. Saskatchewan will also be represented.

Topics for the debate this year have not yet been announced. Winner from among the four universities will receive the McGoun trophy.

CALGARY DEBATE HELD

"What is wrong with university life?" was the topic chosen for a debate sponsored by the Education Undergraduates' society at the Calgary branch of the U of A.



McGOUN CUP DEBATING FINALISTS, above, from left to right, are: Terry Dunn, John Chappel and John Bracco, standing, and John Beckingham and Hugh Lawford, both alternates, and Archie Ryan, sitting.

—Photo by Hansen

DEADLINE NEWS

CONCERT DEC. 12

Annual University Christmas concert will be held Sunday, Dec. 12, at 3 p.m. in Con hall, it was learned Thursday. Groups participating are members of the Mixed Chorus, the symphony, the University Singers and the music department. Program will include the first part of Handel's Messiah, "Sleepers, Wake!" by Bach, and coral singing with Prof. L. H. Nichols at the organ. Prof. R. S. Easton will conduct the symphony and the chorus. A. B. Crighton will be organist for the chorus.

Studio Manager And Writer Finds City "Rich In Stories"

By Ted Bower

When Miss Joy Hugh Roberts, Studio Theatre business manager said recently that the standard of "Idiot's Delight" equalled that of some of the number one English repertory companies, she spoke from a background of considerable experience.

While posted in Berlin by a British newspaper before the war, Miss Roberts attended both a dinner party attended by Hitler and a house party attended by Goering. During the war she was in London working

with Reuters News services and during the final war years she was with the BBC European News service.

In London she also maintained her own public relations business and conducted personal publicity campaigns for such stars as Deborah Kerr, Phyllis Calvert, and Robert Helpman who co-starred with Moira Shearer in "Red Shoes".

RICH IN STORIES

Free-lancing in Canada now for the British and European press, Miss Roberts has settled in Edmonton, "a centre," she says, "rich in stories."

Last winter she visited a survival camp in the Arctic. Met at the plane by a team of huskies, she was taken six miles over the frozen sea, the first woman to visit the camp. Cold? Seventy-five below.

This past fall Miss Roberts visited the para-rescue school at Jasper, and it was from the plane on which she was a passenger that the now-famous tape-recorded jump was made.

Expressing high regard for Studio Theatre and its directors, she said that she was pleased to be associated with such a good company. She intends to emphasize the social atmosphere of first-night presentations, on a similar plan to the British theatre clubs.

Patrons and guests attending the first-night of "Idiot's Delight" enjoyed a social gathering after the show and Miss Roberts hopes that such a first-night atmosphere will become a part of the tradition of Studio Theatre.

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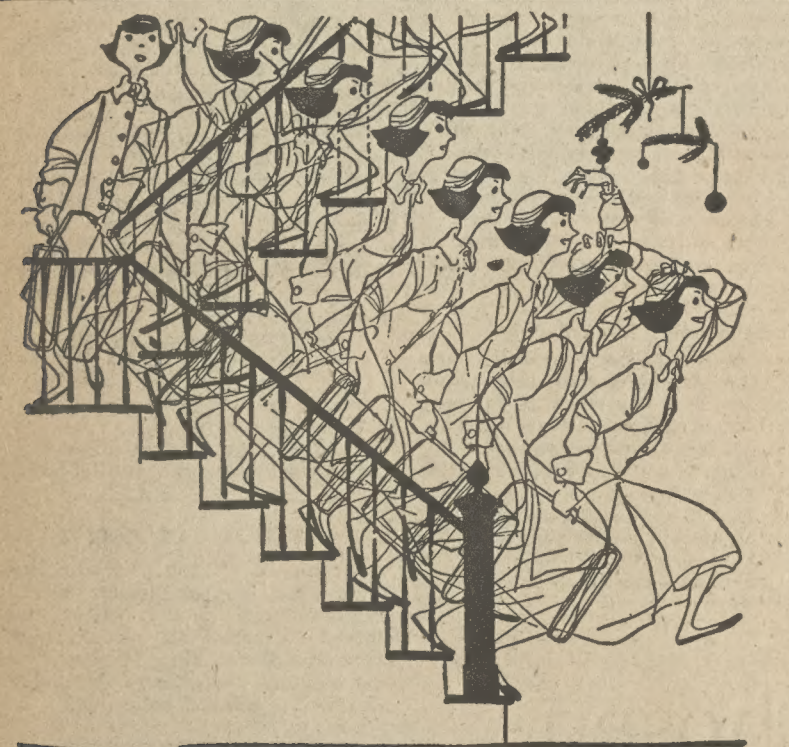
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DEPENDS ON INDIVIDUAL Probation Is Personal

Students who are unnerved by the word "probation" should realize that it is a personal matter dependent entirely on the individual's academic standing, Advisory Services officials said recently.

First-year students in doubtful standing at any time of the year will be interviewed by the dean of their faculty or director of their school, in an attempt to discover the causes of poor standing.

All students are reviewed by the dean of their faculty at Christmas, when freshmen who have failed on

half or more of their subjects for the first term are automatically placed on probation.

Students on probation are excluded from three fields of campus activity; they may not represent the university in competition with outside organizations, nor participate in non-competitive university activities which are open to the general public nor hold office in student organizations.

A student may be removed from probation at any time by the dean of his faculty.

It is to be noted, said Miss Lolita Wilson of Student Advisory Services, that each probation case is considered individually. This was not the case until quite recently, when the system was revised in response to complaints by students.

Students on probation who consult with SAS advisers will find valuable help in determining the causes underlying their failure. SAS also sponsors study tutorials, designed to teach efficient study habits to probationers.

Lost Items Accumulate In Library

A great number of lost articles have accumulated in the librarian's office on the second floor of the Rutherford library. The following items can be claimed at the office:

Man's wrist watch, five or six textbooks, collections of class notes, numerous gloves and scarves, girl's grey cardigan, many pencils and pens, odd pieces of jewelry, keys, glass cases and numerous odds and ends.

Summer Travel Plans Available

Students interested in obtaining information on NFCUS-sponsored summer travel abroad have been asked to leave their names at the Students Union office. They will be contacted as soon as the information is available.

After Christmas, The Gateway will carry all details of the NFCUS travel program.

Jo Shepard President Dance Club

Jo Shepard, phys ed 4, was elected president of the Square Dance club recently at a general meeting following the club's bi-monthly dance. Wayne French, education 4, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Others on the new executive are Shirley Hoyle, education 1; Elaine Rippel, nursing 3, councillors; and George Butner, phys ed 2, publicity manager. Keith McKenzie, medicine 2, was elected Alberta Square Dance association representative.

The club's next dance will be held Tuesday from 7:30 to 10 p.m. to live music. The dance will be open to all students.

NFCUS Planning Art Contest

Plans for the second annual National Federation of Canadian University Students' art competition were announced this week by Doug Fitch, chairman of the local committee. Entry deadline for the local competition will be 12 noon, Saturday, Jan. 15.

There will be two separate divisions for students registered in the department of fine arts and for other students. Each division will be divided into three classes.

Class "A" will be for oil paintings; class "B", water colors; class "C", drawings or prints. Entries in the Alberta contest will be judged by members of the department of fine arts and winners' submissions hung in the arts building or the Students Union building prior to being submitted to the national contest at Toronto.

Winning entries of the national contest will be awarded silver shields or plaques and shown in Hart House, University of Toronto, prior to being taken on tour of other university centres in eastern Canada.

Entry forms and further details of the contest are available in the Students Union office.

This is the second year that NFCUS has run a national art contest. Last year eight Alberta students submitted 14 entries in the local contest, eight of which were entered in the national contest. Paintings by Marion Arneson and Doris Livingstone, arts 3, were among those in the national contest, with an entry by Miss Livingstone receiving an honorable mention. Toronto is again handling the competition.

Third annual competition will commence in March, 1955, and carry over into the fall term. The University of Alberta will handle this competition. The NFCUS intends to rotate the mandate for the contest among universities in different sections of the country so that the winning entries can be shown at different universities each year.

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The annual White Gift party sponsored by the nurses is to be held in the Wauneita lounge on Dec. 7 at 8 o'clock.

The program includes a skit by the nurses, carol-singing and a visit from Santa Claus.

Admission is one white gift per person. These gifts will be sent to orphans and children of needy homes in Edmonton. All Wauneitas are urged to attend.

Newman Party This Week-end

The Newman club Christmas party, in the form of a social evening, will be held in St. Joseph's Sunday at 8 p.m.

The campus orchestra will provide the music. Prizes will be awarded for novelty numbers.

Admission is free to all club members, and 25 cents for non-members. A lunch will be served.

NOT SAME PERSON

Clara Angeltvedt of room 255 Pembina Hall (phone 34703) wishes it to be known that she is not the Clara Angeltvedt mentioned last week in Hugh Lawford's column, nor is she related to this woman.

Tells Of Foreign Trade Opportunities

Career opportunities available for university graduates as foreign service officers were described by H. L. Brown of the department of trade and commerce Monday in a speech in room 236 of the Arts building.

Mr. Brown talked about the opportunities for foreign service posts, the high rates of pay and allowances that were offered, and the "interesting work" done by the department.

Mr. Brown stressed the need for university graduates in the department. He pointed out that not only commerce grads were needed, but also graduates from other faculties. A candidate must have a university degree or the equivalent, be of good moral character and willing to work, he stated.

Further information may be obtained from the National Employment service office.

Mayo Serves On Commission Studying City

Dr. H. B. Mayo of the political science department is a member of the metropolitan commission currently studying the possibility of amalgamation of Edmonton and its environs.

Dr. Mayo, well known for his work in this field, spent the past year at McGill university.

The commission is headed by Dr. G. Fred McNally, former chancellor of the university. It is studying proposals of and alternatives to amalgamation of Edmonton, Beverley and Jasper Place and the Strathcona industrial area.

Oil Companies Seek Employees This Week, Next

Personnel officers from two major oil companies will interview students on the campus this week and next, said National Employment service officials recently.

Graduands in engineering, honors chemistry and commerce should note that the Shell Oil Company of Canada will be interviewing students for their manufacturing, marketing and treasury departments on Friday and Monday.

Representatives of the Socony-Vacuum company will meet with students Thursday. Third and fourth-year men in petroleum and electrical engineering will find employment opportunities with this company starting in May.

Interested students may make appointment for a personal interview with either company by contacting immediately the NES office, Hut H.

Six-Week Teaching Course A Success, Says Dean Smith

The six-week teacher training course can be termed as a success, said Dr. H. E. Smith, dean of education, in an interview recently.

The faculty of education found that a lot of good, mature students that were recommended by principals took the course.

The short course was handled as any other summer course with written examinations. The present Junior "E" course is divided into three sections, one being offered each summer.

FOR JUNIOR E

When the student has completed the three sessions, has a complete senior matriculation and has passed all courses successfully, he will be recommended for a Junior "E" certificate.

Before the students receive their permanent certificate, they must teach two years. A committee from the board of teacher education has been set up to investigate the possibility of the students receiving credit for the two years they teach between summer sessions.

Last year 130 students took the course; 90 per cent are out teaching. So far 90 to 100 are planning to take the second term. Tuition fees for the course are covered by the government.

NO COMPLAINTS

There has been no complaint about these teachers, Dr. Smith said. The teacher shortage is down considerably this year. The only difficulty now is the shortage of secondary teachers because the short course teachers are all elementary teachers. Dr. Smith added.

There is no evidence that the six-week course has reduced the number of students registered in the regular education courses. Drop in registration is probably due to the raising of entrance requirements, Dr. Smith said.

Oil Industry's Drivers Analyzed By Extension Dept.

The department of extension has been analyzing the driving habits of persons working in the oil industry. Under director Donald Cameron, a program of safety training and technical education in driving has been inaugurated.

Two machines, the porto-clinic and the auto-trainer, are used. These devices reveal both personal and physical deficiencies of the individual which may affect his driving.

A driver's vision, distance judgment and reaction time are examined, for example, and criticized.

The use of these devices is available to all personnel in the oil industry.

WEINER ROAST, SKATING SUNDAY

A big weiner roast and skating party will be held on the Cooking Lake trail on Dec. 5 as the Outdoor club's last function for this year. Cars will be leaving SUB at 6:30 p.m. Those wishing further information or willing to contribute transportation, phone Lorne Ebell, 32797, or Rod Harle, 38650.

When and Where

LSA Christmas Party—Friday, 8:00 p.m., Wauneita lounge. Entertainment including skit, "The Grey Cup Series."

Residence Banquet—Saturday, 6:15 p.m., Athabasca. Residents only.

Residence Dance—Saturday, 9:00 p.m., Athabasca. Formal. Residents only.

SCM Christmas Supper Party—Sunday, 4:30 p.m., Wauneita lounge. Followed by Christmas chapel service, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's.

Outdoor Club Skating Party—Sunday, 6:30 p.m. Cars leave from SUB. Wiener roast included.

Newman Club Christmas Party—Sunday, 8:00 p.m., St. Joe's basement.

Theology Club—Monday, 8:00 p.m., Beth Israel Synagogue. Speaker is Rabbi Louis Sacks.

White Gift Party—Tuesday, 8:00 p.m., Wauneita lounge. Admission is a white gift.

Philosophical Society—Wednesday, 8:15, M142. Speaker is L. E. Gads on "The University in a Technological Society."

Musical Club Concert—Sunday, Dec. 12, 3 p.m. in Con hall.

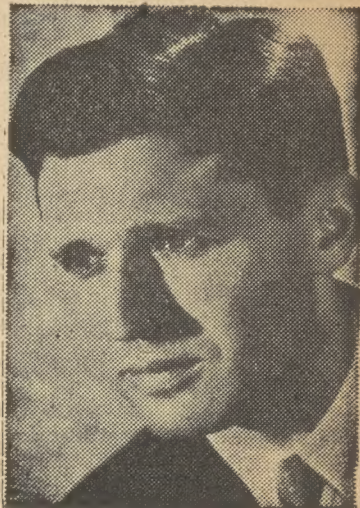
COTC-URTP Social Evening—Dec. 5, 8 p.m., RCAF officer cadets' mess. A film, "The Malta Story", will be shown.

TUCKER SPEAKS

Walter Tucker, former Saskatchewan Liberal leader, and now M.P. for Rosthern, addressed the campus Liberal club Thursday. His talk was postponed from Monday because of the death of a friend.

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SYMPHONY GUEST



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A Year In Review

With this final issue of The Gateway for 1954, a review of what has been accomplished in the last two and one half months is in order.

We think that most readers are satisfied with the change in Gateway size from large to tabloid. Resumption of a twice-a-week publishing schedule has been welcomed by most.

Football, alas, seem to be in the distant future, despite The Gateway's campaign. But some Gateway suggestions did bear fruit: Engineers and nurses held a dance, and the profits put the World University Service campaign over the top.

Some of our editorials did stir up a bit of controversy, but not so much as we had hoped. People just don't seem to give a darn, but that's your fault, not ours.

As usual, The Gateway got called everything except soup this term, but we've learned to expect this. In trying to put out a paper with something of interest for everybody, it's impossible completely to satisfy anybody.

We've been called "leftist"; and we've been called "hysterically anti-Communist". We've been called staid; we've been called sensational. We've heard complaints of not enough news and too many features, and complaints of not enough features and too much news.

Well, there's some consolation in these complaints. We know that some students are reading the paper, anyway. Merry Christmas.

Who's Being Fooled?

The public has been subjected lately to a distasteful issuance of propaganda, through all media and evidently from various sources.

We have no doubt that the essence of this propaganda ("the Russian government is a scheming, totalitarian machine bent on ruling the world") is basically correct.

But we object to the belief that the average citizen will not realize the wrongness of the Russian government unless its sins are exaggerated by propaganda—propaganda that is ridiculously obvious to the thinking person.

A timely example of blundering propagandizing was the Associated Press obituary of Andrei Vishinsky, Society deputy foreign minister.

The first few paragraphs of the account, as printed in the Edmonton Journal, Nov. 22, contained facts presented in good journalistic style. But soon the supposed "news story" (different from a syndicated commentary in that the writer was not given a by-line) degenerated. The concluding sentence of the eighth paragraph read, "He (Vishinsky) seemed to regard the UN General Assembly as a courtroom and the Western powers as guilty defendants."

To whom did he seem this way? What is an unnamed writer's opinion of how someone seemed doing in a "factual" report?

A sentence in paragraph ten refers to Vishinsky's "theatrical courtroom manner." In this case again, it is only the opinion of the unnamed writer that Vishinsky was "theatrical".

Now let us examine the beginning of paragraph twelve: "The acid-tongued Russian used such words as warmonger, murderer, liar, imperialist, lackey, cannibal, reactionary ruling circles".

Of what import is it that Vishinsky's vocabulary contained that list of terms? The same terms have been used by Western diplomats in attacks on Russia; does anyone expect to see a similar statement in the obituary of John Foster Dulles upon his death? Certainly Vishinsky used these words; but often his use of them was as justified as has been Dulles' use of them against the Communists.

Obviously, the opinions of some unknown agency have been inserted into this otherwise factual report in a crude attempt to propa-

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The Journal Fumbles

The Edmonton Journal, which modestly calls itself "One of Canada's Great Newspapers", has been scooped on what could have been one of its greatest human-interest stories by one of Canada's more sensational papers, The Toronto Star.

When the Toronto Star can fly into this city special editions providing full Grey Cup coverage that beats the local paper by over 24 hours, we know then that the home paper isn't what it could, or should, be.

By extending its deadline on Saturday for a few hours, two or three at the most, The Journal could have been the first paper to tell Edmontonians in print of the great Eskimo victory. If out-of-town circulation had to be met by a certain time to meet bus and train schedules, the required number could have been printed, and then the front page changed for the city run, to give city readers complete game coverage.

But what did The Journal have? After all of Edmonton knew the final score, The Journal came out with the banner headline: "Eskimos Score First In Grey Cup". True, Monday's Journal did give good coverage of the game, but after The Star, and after television.

Holding its deadline might have cost The Journal a few hundred dollars. But doesn't it owe this to its faithful—by necessity because they have no other local daily—city readers?

If the Journal had city competition, would it have extended its deadline then? Very likely. It can only plead lack of responsibility to its readers in not doing so anyway.

gandize. Whoever thought he was furthering the cause of the West by tampering with the story was sadly mistaken because of a psychological fact.

Upon recognizing this account as propaganda, we immediately become suspicious. Questions race through our minds: perhaps the Russian rulers aren't the scoundrels they are made out to be by our press—perhaps everything we have heard about them has been merely distorted facts or absolute lies cooked up by some agency that will profit by our animosity toward the Russians.

It's time the Western propagandists realized that they are doing more harm than good. It's time we were given the pure facts to interpret for ourselves.

THE EDMONTONIAD

CANTO THE TENTH

Wherein Journal's gesture falleth flat, as doth our humour. The Muse taketh us beyond time and space to the realm of the immortals, where goddesses are encountered, fit protagonists for Edmonton saints and sinners.

Oh linger not, my muse, on Journal's grief,
Here's Christmas near upon us and we must be brief.
Suffice to say his noble gesture failed;
The foes stood posted, closely packed and mailed.
Now, Muse, I follow on thy timeless breath
To where eternity admits no death,
And silent stars in distances are marks
Where universes glow like cedar sparks;
Where suns and moons know neither night nor day;
Where all dimensions fold and melt away;
Away, where neither time nor space are known;
Existence for immortal gods alone.
Here flies the goddess of a righteous nation,
Impetuous Carrie, at her cleansing station.
She comes, when Bacchus has a heavy day,
To sweep his bottles off the Milky Way.
Though twice she has been warned about attacks
Upon distilled ambrosia with her axe,
Yet still she is convinced it is her mission
To bring eternity to prohibition.
But lo, she pauses, looks off eagerly
Beyond where any mortal eye could see;
She shakes with burning energy and mirth,
And spirals down the spaces to the earth.
Who makes a detour round yon asteroids,
And thus the house of Virgo swift avoids?
A blinding flash, and here before us stands
The goddess of the west to many lands,
The beauteous Mae, who darts on winged feet.
She calls across the void to Aphrodite:
"Sweet Aphro, I have mortal cares to tend,
I go courageous Pornos to defend.
Dry Carrie is already in the field
The arid Biblius and his friends to shield.
I wait no more, I feed my ardour burn;
I give thee Hercules till I return."
Sweet tempered are the gods. With speed of light
Swift Mae flies downwards on a meteorite.

Danish Butter, Dutch Cheese

A Tale of Travel
By KEN STEWART

The ferry between Denmark and Germany is a fairly substantial boat (certainly by Alberta standards), smelling of travellers. In the bowels of this vessel they stick away a prodigious quantity of human cargo and the travel attributes thereof.

Included in this list is the Rome-Copenhagen express, with third-class passengers well battened down, passengers on the whole consisting of two types—fair-skinned Danes returning from business or pleasure in Rome, and dark-skinned Italians speeding to the same occupations or pre-occupations in Copenhagen.

Also in the hold are packed as many motor vehicles as you could care to imagine occupied as many types of persons—British tourists with little Union Jacks on the back of their Morrisies, somewhere underneath the luggage; Americans snapping may new vistas and taking a light exposure reading or an infinite number more; French people talking excitedly, and some bored Danish and German businessmen disconcerted at once more setting out on this choppy three-hour voyage. Upstairs they serve an excellent Smorgasbord for those so inclined.

Copenhagen is all the song says it to be, with wide streets, clean appearance and high prices. The stores are smart and well-lighted. The harbor is particularly fascinating. The people are truly friendly and, it would appear, all well-versed in intricacies of English speech, with the possible exception of the border customs officials and the policeman who requested that we go home on foot until we could get lights for our rented bicycles.

At Elsinore each year some company plays Hamlet, and this season Richard Burton and Claire Bloom performed with the Old Vic. It was very well done but best of all, I thought, was stepping out at intermission to watch, (and feel) the Baltic wash the footings of Kronberg castle and look at the very near

buildings of Sweden start to light up across the narrow channel or to hear the wind in the battlements drown out its fabricated counterpart in the ghost scenes.

Another spot on the continent where we found a great deal of English spoken was Holland. Also the selection of English books and British and American periodicals and newspapers in Amsterdam was fantastic.

The canal trip, the Rembrandt originals and the cosmopolitan atmosphere were all that I expected but the Indonesian food which was urged upon me by all but the Dutch themselves was something of a disappointment.

Brahms is reputed to have said that he would like to return to Holland to eat, and certainly he still would, I'm sure. A restaurant in Rotterdam, where we arrived at a late hour after travelling all day, told us that as it was near closing time they could only give us a light lunch. Whereupon they produced a large steak and about a bushel of fried potatoes.

Near the docks of Rotterdam is a huge statue in iron, ungainly and grotesque, with head thrown back and chest split open, as a reminder of "May, 1940." Most of Rotterdam was flattened during that month. Less than a block from this monument is a smaller statue of the city's greatest man, Erasmus the humanist.

Letters

CAUSE AND EFFECT

To the Editor:

The other day I actually saw one of the engineers on the campus without any socks, and a well-worm, well-torn pair of shoes. Could this by any chance be the result of the "Survival of the Fittest"?

EUGENE FANDRICK,
Arts and Science 1.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Readers will notice that the policy of initialing Gateway editorials has been abandoned. The editor-in-chief, while not necessarily the writer of all the editorials, will accept responsibility for all printed.

SIGNS OF SUCCESS



As I See It

The Meaning of Christmas

By KAYE SCHULTZ and STELLA MOORMAN

A recent editorial of The Gateway attacking the commercialism and exploitation of the Christmas season is very commendable. However, the writer forgot completely about Christ in Christmas and lamented the unfair exploitation of Santa Claus.

Don't blame him. He, like many of us, associates Christmas with Dec. 25, with Santa Claus, gifts, receiving, giving, buying, bills. Now being a well intentioned and surprisingly farsighted individual, he waded through the bill, buying, giving, receiving, gifts, BUT he got hopelessly lost on Santa Claus in his search for the meaning of Christmas.

Forget about Santa Claus for a minute—after all, he is just a fraud that parents invent for the pleasure of children by using the memory of a certain generous, gift-giving St. Nicholas. Of course, there is the argument that every child is entitled to the joy and illusion of the traditional Santa Claus, or else he doesn't have a well-rounded childhood.

The meaning of Christmas is Christ. Why not instill in children and adults the beautiful, elevating tradition of the Christ-Child? Displays, cards, and decorations could show more features of the Nativity with beautiful cribs and symbolic statues that do not have price tags attached to the most conspicuous parts of otherwise artistic displays.

The writer pointed out that greed is replacing love. How true his statement is. Christmas is a time of love, a time of giving, but of giving of oneself. Christmas is not the season of remembering only our friends; it is first and foremost, a time to remember and celebrate in a suitable manner, the birthday of Christ.

In remembrance and thanksgiving we portray a true love for our Creator and then follows our love for Man. Christmas is a time for giving. But what goes into such a gift? Something of materialistic value, with the hope that a gift of similar value will be returned?

Or rather, a giving of ourselves completely to God? The giving of our thanksgiving and our praise to Him, and to our fellow Man a sincere love, trust, guiding hand, and a sympathetic word?

It is a gift of simplicity and beauty that says, "To Thee, God, I give all

I am, and all I have. To thee, my neighbor, I give my greatest possession, my sincere and lasting friendship."

Hugh—
TO THE MARK
—Lawford

No. I am not ashamed. Let them jest and sneer and point laughing fingers at my black oxfords. I will not wear white bucks.

Ah yes. They will come and wave their Esquire magazines with pictures of natty young men lounging on the steps of Harvard college, resplendent in their white bucks. But I will not weaken.

They will laugh and scorn and scuff away in their white bucks, leaving me standing lonely as the fireplug in front of the Medical building. Yet still I will not weaken.

For I shall laugh last. And white bucks will be eclipsed when I start wearing my snow shoes.

Let them stand in the library rotunda, holding their white bucks before them to dazzle young girls and education students. None shall look upon them and admire while I am strolling in the rotunda in my snow shoes.

While they are whitewashing their bucks before formal dances and rubbing cigarette ashes onto their bucks before informal dances, I shall look on and laugh. For I shall need no such preparation to attract notice when I dance in my snow shoes.

And as the evening fades to a close, I shall laugh last and loudest. For while they flounder through the snow and while the Pembina clock rushes toward the cursed hour, I shall skim lightly past—beating both them and Dona Marie German—in my snow shoes.

From The Pasture

A Discussion By The Letters A, B, C and D

A. Gentlemen, I propose the topic that there should be more stimulating and thoughtful controversy on this campus. There has been none so far this year.

B. But what do you mean by "stimulating and thoughtful"?

C. We must attack this from the moral point of view.

D. But what do you mean by "moral"?

A. This is getting out of hand. First let us define "stimulating and thoughtful". By that I mean serious, considered debate of topics of a serious nature, where agreement among many is not often found. I shall be interested in hearing C's definition of "moral".

C. Morality is goodness, nothing else.

D. I don't like to push you, but how do you define "goodness"?

B. Let's not get philosophical. We're getting away from our topic.

A. But I maintain that all enlightened discussion, such as I had in mind, is a good thing. And it certainly contributes to university experience.

D. There's that word "good"

again. Let's have a definition or not use it.

A. Well, conversation and controversy is an exchange of ideas in the hope of arriving at some conclusion with which all agree. Since I feel that interchange of ideas is often beneficial to both sides, and since this can often lead to an agreement and harmony that could not otherwise be found, in this sense I use the word "good".

C. Your definition is more implied than actual, then? "Good" is used rather loosely to mean anything with beneficial effects.

B. Yes, but that's circular. You're not saying anything.

C. You're right, but aren't all definitions ultimately circular? You must always define one word in terms of another.

D. There's a possible exception. If a child sees a formula "t-r-e-e" in a book, and asks about it, and is taken out and shown a tree, is that circular? I don't think so.

A. No, but is it a definition at all? You see, if a definition isn't circular in a primary sense, it must ultimately become one in a secondary sense by the definition of the word "definition".

B. Now we're lost. We've still a problem. Should there be more stimulating and thoughtful controversy on this campus? That's what we started to discuss, if you'll remember.

D. This has been a thoughtful discussion, but I doubt it's been stimulating or controversial.

A. Exactly. We've failed again. It's been a dull year, hasn't it?

Confidentially—



Fizz It Is

A Pub In SUB

By Norma Fuller, Bob Aberdeen and Jim Butterfield

With a breezy smile upon my pan, I sauntered into the Arts building, nonchalantly trampling beneath my feet the myriads of pre-law vermin which cluttered the doorway.

Effortlessly I bounded up the steps, shouldered my way through the crowd of students around the modern art exhibits, muscled at last to the sacred chambers of our Reverend President.

My presence dominated the small apothecary. The secretary rose and smiled.

"I wish," I announced imperiously calmly nibbling my fingernails, "to see the President." Trembling, she nodded and pointed a quivering finger at a panelled door, marked

LOST
and
FOUND.

A smile creased my manly visage; I strode bravely forward and flung the portal wide.

The sight which greeted my eyes was truly breathtaking. Below me, my knees disappeared into the dazzling thick carpet.

Far, far above me, although I could not see it, I could feel the mighty presence of the ceiling, bowed beneath the weight of the rocks above it.

Finally, I cast my eyes ahead. In spite of myself, I gasped. In the distance, a magnificent platform towered—his desk. And there behind it, was—HE!

His voice was wafted to me on the breeze. (There was a fan in the office.) "Yes?"

"I Sir," I quavered, my voice echoing and re-echoing in the vast reaches of the hall, "I am here to discuss a matter of the utmost importance to the campus."

"Yes?" he purred, fondling the buttons controlling his intercom system.

I took heart at his encouraging words, and advanced, tentatively fingering my slide rule. I rushed

on:

"I have been taking a pool of student opinion, and I've so far found 748 out of 749 interviewed . . ." My voice broke.

The President gazed at me. I brushed a tear of emotion from my eye. Deeply moved, he handed me a hanky.

"They want . . ." Again I could not finish.

"Yes?" said he, encouragingly.

"A PUB IN SUB!" I screamed deliriously, the sweat rolling from my brow.

A hush descended on the hall. Unhurriedly, calmly, he took out his floor polisher and and rewaxed the desk top.

He raised his head and looked at me sadly. His lips parted—he spoke: "You're drooling on my carpet," be observed.

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250 STUDENTS PLEDGED AS RUSHING WEEKS END

A total of 250 students were pledged by the 12 campus fraternity chapters, it was announced Tuesday.

Of the 157 men who pledged, the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity had a total of 17. Delta Upsilon pledged 23 and Kappa Sigma 27. Lambda Chi Alpha pledged 22.

Phi Delta Theta pledged 22 men, while Phi Kappa Pi pledged 24. Sigma Alpha Mu's total was nine. Zeta Psi pledged 13.

Of the women's fraternities, Delta Delta Delta pledged 14 and Delta Gamma 20. Kappa Alpha Theta pledged 25. Pi Beta Phi had a total of 34 pledges. A total of 93 women pledged.

WAUNEITA PARTY

The Wauneita society at the Calgary branch of the U of A will hold its Christmas party Dec. 15. Members are now selling university Christmas cards.

LOST—Car keys left in front seat of Ford car in St. Steve's parking lot, Nov. 24. Please return to John Zaparinuk, at Dental clinic.

Campus Survey To Show Need For Gov't Aid

A telephone survey of student earning power in relation to the cost of attending university is presently being conducted by a sub-committee of the local NFCUS committee.

The survey is similar to the one recently conducted at the University of Toronto which formed the basis of the brief submitted to Prime Minister St. Laurent by Doug Burns, president of the National Federation of Canadian University Students.

Purpose of the survey is to provide statistical background for the campaign for a \$5,500,000 a year government scholarship and bursary campaign.

Under the direction of Jackie Probe, nursing 4, the committee is phoning a representative sample of Alberta students to determine the percentage of Alberta students who are able to earn their own way through university, the percentage who receive financial assistance through scholarships and bursaries, and the percentage who receive parental or other forms of financial assistance.

The survey also hopes to determine the general social background of the average university student.

None of the names of students interviewed will be revealed by the

Religious Groups, CUP To Hold Christmas Confabs

Delegates from four campus organizations are attending conferences in various parts of Canada and the United States during the Christmas vacation.

The Lutheran Students association is holding a regional workshop in Banff or Calgary from Dec. 31 to Jan. 2. Three delegates from each of the locals, Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, Outlook, Sask., Camrose and the University of British Columbia will be attending.

The workshop will be devoted to leadership training and promotion for the Banff Ashram (international convention), held Aug. 28 to Sept. 3.

A Student Christian Movement study conference will be held at Winnipeg from Dec. 27 to Jan. 1. Dr. Bernard Anderson, from Drew university, will deliver a series of lectures on "Biblical Perspectives Upon Life's Meaning".

Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and UBC will be the four participating universities. Interested students are asked to contact Don Wilson, 233 Athabasca, or Elaine Sinclair, 802235.

Varsity Christian Fellowship students will be attending a convention sponsored by the International For-

eign Evangelical Students at the University of Illinois at Urbana. The convention will be held from Dec. 27 to 31. The latest missionary preparation will be discussed. Students from all over the world are expected to attend, with most of the 1,600 delegates coming from Canada and the United States.

The national Canadian University Press conference will be held in Ottawa this year with Carleton college and the University of Ottawa as hosts. Delegates from the member papers of CUP will be attending the three-day conference. Ted Moser, editor-in-chief of The Gateway, will be Alberta's delegate.

Some tips on Christmas Hinting

Let's face it . . . you really need a Royal portable this Christmas.

So do your Christmas hinting early. For example, you might complain a bit about eyestrain (from studying hastily scribbled notes). Or, if you're away from home, a letter they can just about read should do nicely.

If you're extra adroit, you might even tell about one of those eager characters who make some extra money for themselves by typing notes for their long-suffering fellow-learners.

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Prof. To Urge New Education At Next Philsoc

"The traditional idea of a university as an institution where classical knowledge is imparted to the student by a sort of osmosis must be revamped to fit in with technological advances in society." This will be the theme developed by Prof. L. E. Gads at the Philosophical society meeting next Wednesday.

The university, said Prof. Gads in an interview Tuesday, must provide for mutual understanding between the technical and non-technical leaders of society. For this reason, technical training at the university level should not be confined to technical schools.

Rather, the university should swing away from the conventional "moss-covered collection of books" concept, and train technologists both to take their places as leaders in a technological society and to get along with those who are not technically trained, he said.

Professor Gads proposes, incidentally, to argue against a widely-held thesis that engineers do not have a place on the campus.

A graduate in civil engineering of this university, Prof. Gads served as a navigation instructor in the RCAF during the second World War and is now commanding officer of the campus RCAF reserve squadron, in addition to his duties as secretary of the faculty of engineering and associate professor of civil engineering.

He spent two years following the second World War as an interpreter for the Allied Control commission in Berlin and is still active in the field of world affairs and current events.

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Co-Ed Review

By Eileen Nicol
(Women's Sports Editor)

Women's sports, both intramural and intersarsity, have had a successful year. In intersarsity competition the tennis team, with the girls showing the way, defeated Saskatchewan seven out of nine matches.

Rae Milligan led the girls' contingent in the golf tournament. Her victory, plus wins by the three men on the golf team, was enough to take the championship.

The girls were again the contributing factor in giving Alberta a win in the badminton matches.

In intramural competition the women have had a busy year with golf, tennis, fastball, track and field, ping-pong, and volleyball being run off.

Barbara Beddome, arts 1, took the intramural golf laurels, Eileen Nicol (that's me) the tennis, and Marion Hall house ec 2, won the ping-pong tournament.

In team competition, the Delta Gamma frat copped fastball and track and field. The intramural volleyball competition was also won by a frat team. Kappa Alpha Theta defeated arts and science for the title. The DG's placed third.

To round off the year on a team level, a swim meet was held last Thursday. The year 1955 will see intramural basketball, ping-pong, bowling and curling get underway.

On the intersarsity level the New Year will see basketball, curling, figure skating, swimming and volleyball teams travel to Saskatchewan and Manitoba. A telegraphic bowling meet between the three universities will also be held.

The Women's Athletic Association is one of the busiest organizations on the campus and will no doubt provide a varied schedule for the coming year.

Panda



CONNIE HOREAK, a high scoring forward with last year's Pandas, will be one of the top threats on this year's contingent. An all-round athlete Connie was one of the members of the intersarsity tennis champs. She is also a top swimmer.

BLOCK "A"



JOHN DEWAR, a block A member and a third year man on the Golden Bear Basketball team. Dewar plays the forward slot. He's off to a good start this year scoring 23 points in his first two outings. Six foot one and a half inch, Dewar wears 33. He will see plenty of action against Montana college this coming Monday and Tuesday.



NORM MACINTOSH needs no introduction. Six foot three inches of scoring power, he has started the year with 28 points in two games played. The rangy center wears number 24 on his gold uniform. His home town is Calgary and he's in his third year with the Bruins. Macintosh will also be on hand for games against Montana.

Pandas Under Macintosh Sport 4 Vets, 13 Newcomers

Don Macintosh has again returned for another year at the helm of the University of Alberta women's basketball team, the Pandas.

The Macintosh-coached Pandas, last year's collegiate champs, have only four players from last year's squad. They are Connie Horeak, Nora Olson, Marlene Mosely and Pat Parker.

Newcomers who are working out every Monday and Wednesday at 4:30 in hopes of catching a berth with the team are Betty Fisher, Mona McLachlin, Lorraine Adams, Mary Raymond, Helen Twack, Doreen West, Jane Hall, Lorna Daverne, Fran Losie, Mary Hendrickson, Bev Estabrook, Mary Ann Lindsay and Shirley Wagness.

Practices are held in the Athabasca gym.

Mural Hoopball Underway

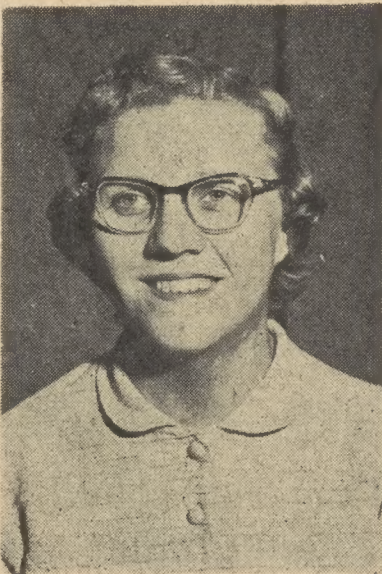
Intramural basketball got off to a start Tuesday night with three games being played. The league will remain on this basis for the remainder of the December games, but will swing into high gear in the New Year with nine games being played each night scheduled.

The league has been brought up to 31 teams, with an opening for one more squad.

Schedule up to Jan. 4:

- Dec. 9, 7 p.m.—Phi Delt "A" vs Phys Sd
- Dec. 9, 8 p.m.—LCA vs Pharm
- Dec. 9, 9 p.m.—Transits vs Phi Kap "B"
- Dec. 10, 7 p.m.—Delta "U" vs Agric
- Dec. 10, 9 p.m.—LDS vs Kappa Sig "A"
- Dec. 10, 9 p.m.—Phi Kap "A" vs Assin "B"
- Jan. 4, 7 p.m.—Levels vs Zetas
- Jan. 4, 7 p.m.—Vagab vs St. Joes

Panda



NORA OLSON will be back with the Pandas for another season. She is one of the four veterans around whom Don Macintosh will endeavor to build another collegiate winner. Nora was also on the women's intersarsity golf team.

- Jan. 4, 7 p.m.—Phi Delt "B" vs Educ
- Jan. 4, 8 p.m.—Ghosts vs Slide Rules
- Jan. 4, 8 p.m.—Phys Ed "B" vs Phi Kap "C"
- Jan. 4, 8 p.m.—Delta U "B" vs Theol
- Jan. 4, 9 p.m.—St. Steve "A" vs not decided
- Jan. 4, 9 p.m.—Winner of 1 vs. winner of 2
- Jan. 4, 9 p.m.—Loser of 1 vs loser of 2

CALGARY HAS TEAM

The Calgary branch of the U of A has a hockey team this year. It has begun practices and will play its first game shortly. The team will play league-mates, Calgary Technical school, Mount Royal college, and Olds School of Agriculture teams during the season.

Two Teams Undeclared, 'Mural Volleyball Ends

As the intramural volleyball league winds up its final games before the playoffs, unofficial league leaders are, in Division A, St. Steves with a 4-1 record, and Division B, Athabasca with five wins in five games played. Division C is topped by LDS, and another undefeated team, Delta U "A", leads Division D.

Engineers, who won the round-robin tournament and the right to represent U of A against Saskatchewan, are well off the pace in Division D, led by the Delta U "A's".

League Standings (unofficial):

League A			
	G.	W.	L.
St. Steves	5	4	1
Probies	4	2	2
Phi Delt "A"	4	2	2
St. Joes	5	2	3
DU "B"	5	2	3
Assin	5	1	4
League B			
Athabasca	5	5	0
Educ "A"	4	3	1
Grey Ghosts	5	3	2
Lambda Chi	4	2	2
Kap Sig	5	1	4
Deke "A"	4	1	3
Phi Delt "B"	4	1	3
League C			
LDS	4	3	1
Deke "B"	3	2	1
Educ "B"	4	2	2
Phi Kap "A"	2	1	1
Phys Ed	3	1	2
St. Johns	4	1	3
Zetas	3	0	3

League D			
Delta U "A"	5	5	0
Sep Grads	5	4	1
Eng	5	3	2
Vags	5	3	2
Phi Kap "B"	2	0	2
Pharm	4	0	4
Sammies	4	0	4

Rae Milligan



RAE MILLIGAN, Alberta's top woman golfer, has aided girl's showing in intersarsity sports. She has participated on both golf and badminton championship teams. She is in fourth year phys ed.

Notice

The Badminton club will suspend operations after Dec. 6 until the New Year, club officials have announced.

Bob Kubicek

Intersarsity competition for 1954 ended last week on a note of success for Alberta athletes. They took volleyball and badminton, the latter in convincing style.

Alberta has now met and defeated the University of Saskatchewan in five outings, including tennis, golf, the cross-country, volleyball and badminton. U of A also downed Manitoba in badminton.

Five wins in the same number of events makes the sports picture on the intersarsity level very bright indeed. But basketball and hockey, the major intersarsity sports, take the spotlight after the new year. They are the big ones.

As the year progresses the old Drill Hall becomes busier and busier. The extended intramural program, intersarsity sports, and social functions the likes of the Mardis Gras and Club 55 keep the gym in constant use.

Take last weekend for example: Volleyball and badminton, intersarsity sports, Club 55, and the Grey Cup—nothing could be run off on Saturday afternoon—were thrown into one short weekend.

Volleyball had to be scheduled for 9:30 Saturday morning and as a result U of A supporters at the game were non-existent. Badminton had to be run off at the Braemar Club across town, which ruled out anyone attending the matches.

Intramural volleyball and basketball collide this week so basketball will not hit full swing until after the new year.

On top of this an active swimming program on both men's and women's front has necessitated scheduling three pools off the campus—north WAC, Victoria Comp, and YWCA.

This all leads up to the conclusion that we might be able to put to use another gym on this growing campus. Oh well, next month sees a New Year upon us, and we can wistfully dream of a huge brick structure nestling between the SUB and the Drill Hall—we might even glance inside and see seats that would accommodate 2,000 filled with wildly cheering college sports addicts as the Golden Bears ran up a wide margin on the UBC Thunderbirds.

We might even go downstairis—low and behold, before our very eyes a 75-foot swimming pool harbors a log upon which Herb MacLachlin and Al Affleck are in the midst of a log-birling contest. Maury Van Vliet and Don Smith wait at the side of the pool in eager anticipation . . . oops—we better stop here before this thing gets out of hand.

Loose Ends:

It didn't take Oscar Kruger long to get back in a Bear uniform. He was working out in the gym Tuesday. Orchids to both Kruger and Bob Hayton and the guttiest (quote Hal Pawson) Grey Cup champs Canada has ever known.

The Bears take on Montana College from Havre Dec. 6 and 7. Take time off from that exam grind and rest your weary mind to watch your Green and Gold in action.

You have, by now, no doubt seen the trampoline installed in the gym. But have you seen Barney Hughes, ed 4 put himself through the intricacies of the various stunts athletes do on the contraption?

Laura Mae Stillings

I Like Bucks

Last week we talked about the important place of white in the college girl's Christmas wardrobe. This week we'd like to mention white again, but this time it has nothing to do with Christmas or girls. This time the fashion department deals with the fellows on our campus and a subject that is constantly under fire. **WHITE BUCKS.**

We understand from our American college counterparts that white bucks are standard equipment for the big-man-on-campus's wardrobe. In fact the custom dictates Dirty White Bucks for class, and Clean White Bucks with charcoal grey flannel for evening.

However there are rigorous rules as to just how clean or how dirty white bucks may be, and still remain acceptable. It just so happens that we overheard one Phi Delt (a non-white-buck man) suggesting to another Phi Delt (wearing the controversial shoes) that a few cigarette ashes and a little elbow grease would give just the desired dirty effect.

The reason for certain objections to white bucks seems not to be that

Calgary Wins Basketball

The Blizzards, the men's basketball team at the Calgary branch of the U of A, defeated Mount Royal college 51-40 over the weekend.

LOST—Black Parker pen with gold top, between Med building and Tuck shop Monday. Don Vickerson, 131 Assinboia hall.

the shoes are uncomfortable, that they require special care, or that the places they can be worn are limited. No, the objections seem to stem from something much deeper. As far as we know, and all this is pure rumour, there seems to be an unpopular association between white bucks, Liberace, and Thursday.

To wear, or not to wear white bucks is a question best solved by the individual college man. As U of A is the only university where the fellows have not taken to white bucks as naturally as they've taken to tweed topcoats, and as the black undergraduate gown is having equal difficulty holding its own, we can only suggest that the two combine forces. U of A would soon be as distinguished for its white bucks and black gowns as Eton and Harrow are distinguished for their derby hats and striped trousers.

P.S.—All kidding aside, I like white bucks!

Holidays Will Silence Hugill Debates

The interfaculty Hugill debates are being held every Thursday and Friday until Christmas in arts 142.

Archie Ryan, law 2, said the eliminations should be over by the end of the term. Half the 24 teams participating will have been eliminated by mid-January, when the semi-finals commence. The final debate is to be held by the end of February.

Law and pre-law students comprise the majority of debaters, although one team each from education and agriculture has been entered.

The debates have been mainly dealing with controversial issues.

CPR To Open Ticket Office At SUB Booth

The Canadian Pacific Railway will be setting up a ticket office in the information booth of the Students Union building Dec. 15, 16 and 17. Rail tickets will be on sale every afternoon from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Students will receive return tickets for fare-and-a-half if they pick up a vacation certificate from the bursar's office.

Saturday, 6:15 p.m.

Residences Plan Combined Banquet

The annual residence banquet will be held Saturday at 6:15 p.m., it was announced recently. The only students present will be those of the three residences, who will, with the invited guests, compose the 515 people who are expected to attend. Among guests will be Dean W. H. Johns and Dr. E. P. Scarlett, university chancellor. Hal Freeman, president of the men's house committee, will be toastmaster.

A formal dance, to which non-residence students may be invited, will be held at 9 p.m. in Athabasca

Calgarians Hold Annular Dance

The industrial arts-sponsored "Waltz Night", the social highlight of the academic year at the Calgary branch of the U of A, will be held tonight.

An annual affair, the dance has always been noted for original decorations and well-received programs.

Outdoor Club Holds Weekly Cabin Parties



GEORGE SMALL, arts and science 3, as he reaches for a sandwich at a Sunday night Outdoor club cabin party. Others left to right are; a nurse from the Royal Alex; Gladys Krukowski, house ec 3; Valerie Liss, house ec 2 and Gladys Carlson, arts and science 2.

"To provide healthy outdoor recreation and an opportunity for informal get-togethers of all interested students of the university", is the purpose of the Outdoor club, as stated by John Tymchuk, engineering 3, vice-president of the club.

With a membership of 80 expected

to reach at least 100, the club is more active this year than it has been in the past. The regular Saturday work parties have already accomplished the painting of the cabin, and work has been done on the steps leading from Saskatchewan drive down to the cabin.

Future plans include improvements on the University ski-hill and the toboggan-slide, and wiring of the cabin situated along Saskatchewan drive at 116 street, for electricity.

Each February the club sponsors "Winter Weekend", comprising skiing and skating trips to Whitemud, followed by the annual dance. A skiing excursion to Sunshine Lodge at Banff, usually during the Christmas holidays, and various hunting trips throughout the year are other annual events.

One of the best known and best-received functions of the Outdoor club is the weekly Sunday evening cabin party. This is open to all students, and is planned along informal lines.

Contrary to popular opinion, the Outdoor club cabin is on university property and the club conforms to university regulations.

NFCUS Offers Debate Winners Trip To Europe

Two tickets to Europe for competition with European debaters will be offered to the winners of national debating finals by the National Federation of Canadian University Students. Peter Tanguay of the University of Ottawa, NFCUS commissioner of the Canadian University Debating association, made the announcement recently.

The prize will be offered only if the winners represent a university which is a NFCUS member, Tanguay said.

Decision to offer the prizes as a stimulus to debating at Canadian universities was made at the 18th annual NFCUS conference held at Toronto last month. NFCUS is the parent body of the Canadian University Debating Association, which runs the national debating finals, a competition among the winners of the various regional debating leagues.

Western Canada will be represented by the McGoun cup winner. Although the CUDA is run by a NFCUS-appointed commission, membership is not limited to NFCUS members.

Poli Sci Plans Speakers, Panels For Coming Year

Activities for the year were outlined at a meeting of the Political Science club executive held last week.

The program includes one leading speaker, four other speakers, two panel discussion. One panel discussion will feature professor and cabinet ministers, the second professors and students.

Topics of the five main lectures are to be advertised two weeks ahead of scheduled dates. By doing this the club hopes that interested students will think about the topics and be prepared to raise controversial points during the question period.

Weekly discussion groups have been arranged by the club, which will be held weekly.

Theatre Directory

FAMOUS PLAYERS THEATRES

PARAMOUNT—Now showing: *Gone With the Wind*, starring Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh.

CAPITOL—Now showing: *The Adventures of Hajji Baba*, starring John Derek and Elaine Stewart.

STRAND—*Untamed Heiress* and *Fighting Seabees*.

EMPRESS—Beginning Monday: *Passion and Without Reservation*, GARNEAU—Walt Disney's *The Living Desert*.

ODEON THEATRES

ODEON—*Track of the Cat*, starring Robert Mitchum and Theresa Wright.

RIALTO—Begins Monday: *99 River Street*, with John Payne and Evelyn Keyes. Also showing: *Wicked Women*, with Beverly Michaels.

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FORMER FRENCH HEAD WRITES TEXT

VICTORIA — (Special) — Dr. Edouard Sonet, former head of the French department of the University of Alberta who now lives in "active retirement" in Victoria has recently published a French grammar, "Review of Standard French," which has already been accepted for use in 61 United States universities and colleges.

The book, published by Harcourt, Brace and Co. of New York, and written by Dr. Sonet in collaboration with his former student and now Prof Glen Shortliffe of Queens University, is the result of Dr. Sonet's many years of teaching French at the U of A and later at Royal Roads Military College.

Among the 61 United States colleges who have accepted the text book in the six months it has been on the market are Yale, Stanford, University of California, University of Chicago and John Hopkins.

The textbook has met with success in Canada too, but the Canadian list is not yet complete.

Dr. Sonet, still as vigorous and full of enthusiasm as former students remember him, is in the process of writing another book. It is in French of course, and in it he will relate for the sake of his ex-countrymen the experiences he has had and the observations he has made in his adopted country of Canada.

Earlier this year, on a trip to France, Dr. Sonet made arrangements to have the book published there when it is finished.

Culprits Cache Cart in Case

Who put the shopping cart in Miss Sherlock's showcase?

The Rutherford library staff Saturday discovered that the display case recently occupied by ancient Greek and Roman ceramics contained a strictly contemporary grocery buggy.

And, to add inconvenience to indiscretion, the key of the case was mysteriously missing.

The "House Ec 3" caption on the new display was thought by serious observers to be a false lead in the hunt for the culprits.



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Well-known Theologians To Assist

Christian Mission Coming

A university Christian mission will be held on the campus, beginning Jan. 11 and ending Jan. 14. The mission will have as its general purpose "to confront the university community with the continuing claims upon it of Jesus Christ".

Dr. George W. Forell, of the school of religion of Iowa State university and a member of the United Lutheran Church in America, has agreed to act as chief missionary.

He will be assisted by three asso-

ciate missionaries. They are Dr. Roger Pilkington, a well-known British scientist and author of the book, "Religion and Science"; Miss Lois Tupper, from the District Women's Leadership Training school, McMaster university, Hamilton, Ont., and Archdeacon E. H. Maddocks, St. Stephen's Anglican church, Calgary, one-time professor at McGill university.

Dr. Forell will speak in Convocation hall daily at 4:30 p.m. through-

out the week and address the Philosophical society Jan. 12 on "The Christian Interpretation of History". The remaining evenings will be devoted to other speakers, and discussion groups will meet at noon hours.

Local religious groups taking part in the university Christian mission will be Varsity Christian fellowship, the Canterbury club, the Latter Day Saints' institute, the Lutheran Student association and the Theolog club.

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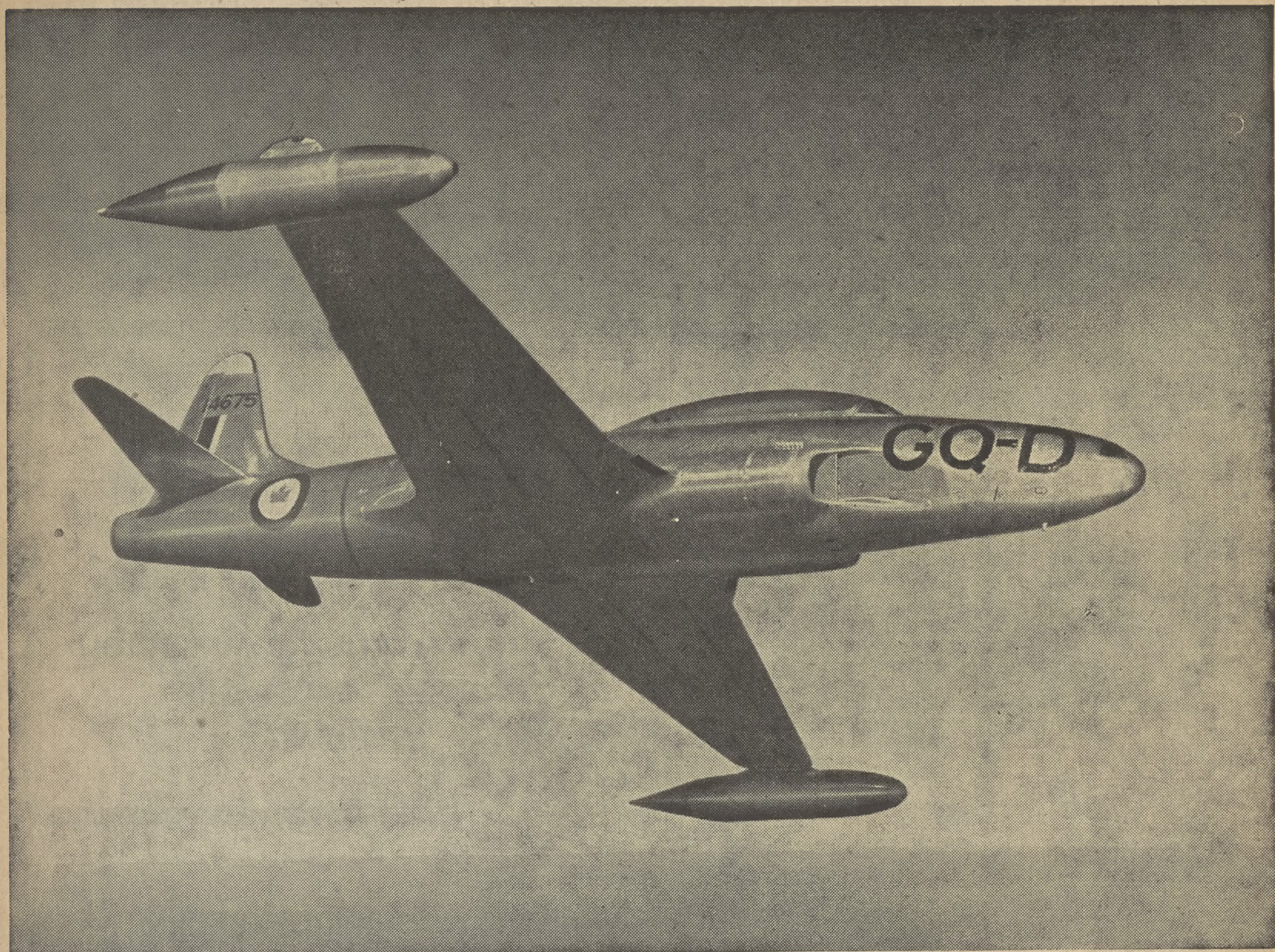
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Books

A PENMAN'S PENGUIN

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GEORGE L. THOMSON: *Better Handwriting*. Penguin Books, Harmondsworth, Middlesex, 1954. 30 pp., large illustrations. 60 cents.

One of the most common complaints of professors, and of students who use notes taken by other students, is that most people's handwriting is illegible or a least untidy. When we see a hand that is even reasonably neat, it strikes us as uncommon at once.

There are several reasons for this: the increasing use of the typewriter, the fact that most people don't care, and most of all, the common use of degenerate versions of copper-plate hand, a particularly graceless example of which, printed in Alberta Department of Education Bulletin three, is used as the model to be taught to all children of the province.

It is heartening to see this situation challenged, as it is this month by George L. Thomson in his book *Better Handwriting* (Penguins, 60 cents).

Mr. Thomson's work is a Puffin Picture book, intended for the instruction of young children learning to write. It explains, in suitable simple language, with the aid of large, understandable diagrams, the "italic" hand, a clear, flowing, distinguished script, which avoids the ugly, bulbous loops of the common round-hand, but admits of a large variety of graceful swashes and ligatures.

Italic handwriting is easy to learn. A few minutes a day, for perhaps a week, and beyond that habitual use, will accustom anyone to italic. One of its chief merits is that it is a good hand for bad writers; because of the simplicity of its strokes, it can be written at high speed and remain readily legible.

It has, however, more than convenience to recommend it. It is beautiful in appearance, designed originally by cultured Italian scribes—whence the name, "italic"—for use in documents.

From Italy it spread over Europe during the Renaissance, and only gradually decayed, in the hands of copper engravers, into the difficult copper-plate script.

Three fine historical examples of italic are included in *Better Handwriting*, written by Queen Elizabeth I, Mary Queen of Scots, and Michaelangelo respectively. Others may be found in the King Penguin *A Book of Scripts* by Alfred Fairbank, or in works on lettering or palaeography.

No one interested in beautiful writing should omit to obtain *Better Handwriting*, the only book of its kind available and a very good one, too.

CKUA Presents

The University Radio service will present the following programs during the coming week over CKUA:

Friday—
6:45 p.m.—Listeners' Request Concert.

7:45 p.m.—Hobbes and Loche in American History: E. J. Weber.

8:00 p.m.—Western Board of Music: Edgar Williams, violinist.

Saturday—
8:00 p.m.—Saturday Evening Concert.

Monday—
6:45 p.m.—Puccini: La Boheme—complete opera.

Tuesday—
6:45 p.m.—The Music Hour.
7:45 p.m.—"Abraham and Isaac"—a play from the Middle Ages.

8:15 p.m.—Patterns of Change in the Community: R. W. Nablo.

Wednesday—
6:45 p.m.—The Music Hour.
7:45 p.m.—Excerpts from Antoine de St. Exupéry's "Little Prince": Miss E. Nelson.

8:15 p.m.—I Don't Agree!

Thursday—
6:45 p.m.—The Music Hour.
7:45 p.m.—Design in the Home: Miss F. Campbell.

8:15 p.m.—Students Radio Society programs.

'Barefoot Contessa' Replaces Spectacle

Away with the spectacle! Figaro Pictures has just shown, with the sage aid of Joseph Mankiewicz, that to produce a successful picture one does not need the wonder-visions and the lumbering stereophones which the public once clasped firmly but from which it is now relaxing its grip.

Barefoot Contessa leaves a wonderful feeling after it has gone. It is a feeling not of triumph, nor of the tinsel type of relief which follows a Cinderella ending. This feeling is intangible and indescribable.

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Studio Plans Mystery Plays

"The Creation of the Nativity" will be the Studio Theatre's second major production of the season. The play opens Dec. 13 and will run till Dec. 23. This type of play has never been tried at Studio Theatre before.

The play had previously been scheduled for Dec. 10 but was set back because "Idiot's Delight" was held over.

The production is a combination of six short miracle plays based on English Medieval Mystery plays. The six plays are "The Creation and Fall", "The Killing of Abel", "The Deluge", "Abraham and Isaac", "The Shepherds" and "Herod and the Kings". The Nativity culminates the production.

The variety of plays are a survey of the most vital and entertaining parts of medieval drama.

One interesting feature of the production will be a revolving stage, approximately 20 feet in diameter which is being used to speed up set

changes.

The cast of 25, some of whom act in more than one play, are almost all advance students in evening and day drama classes. In addition a small mixed chorus, managed by Keith Bissell, music supervisor of Edmonton schools, will be present. Ole Olson from

Strathcona high school will lead the chorus.

Professor Robert Orchard who has done special studies of medieval art and tapestries will direct the plays. The color schemes are based on these studies. Play costumes were designed from pictures in 14th century books.

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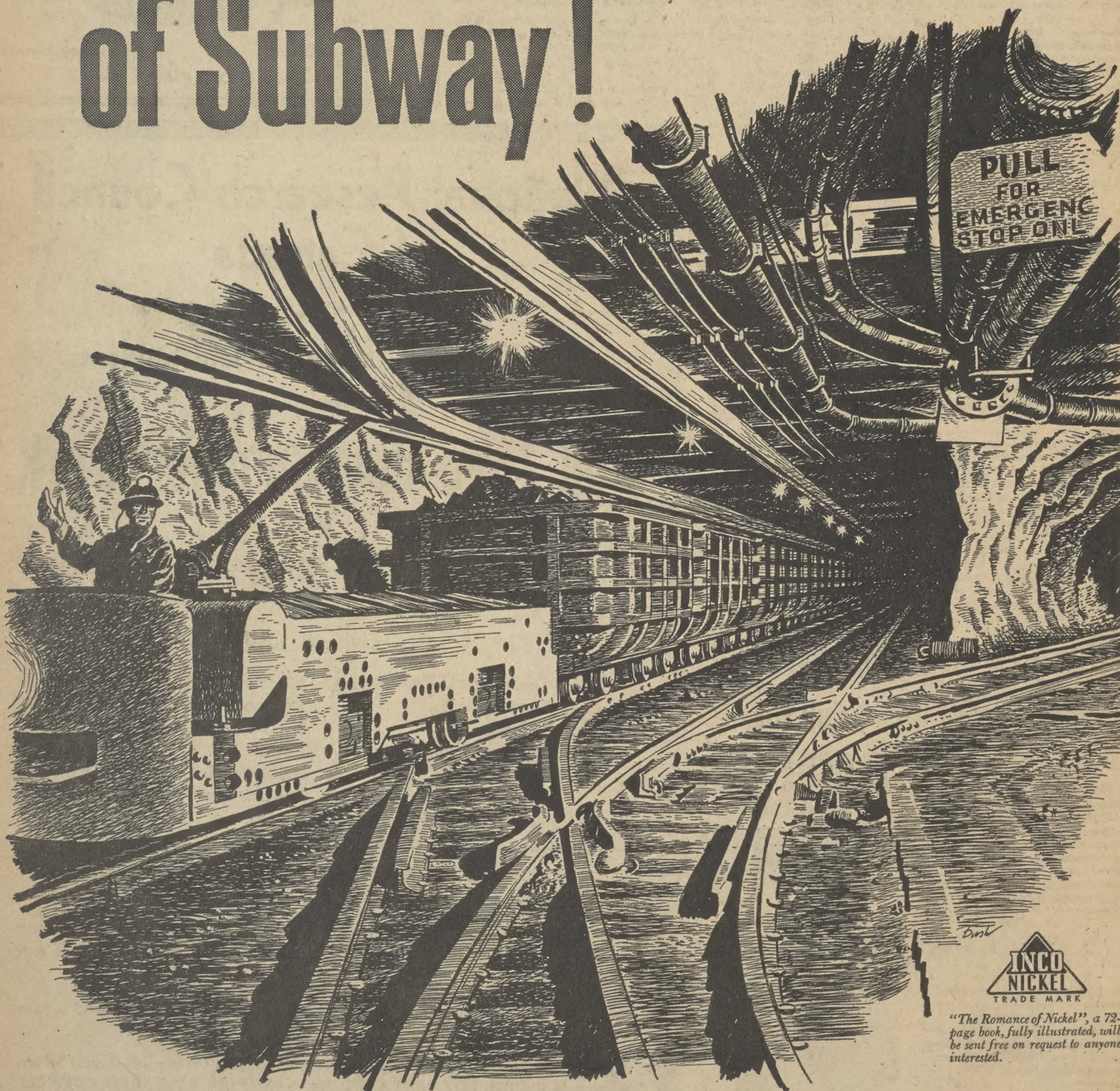
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